



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1870.

AFFAIRS IN EUROPE.—Despatches from French sources report an engagement on the Loire, in which the Prussians were driven off with a slight loss. The town and fortifications of Verdun have been surrendered to the Prussians. A general battle commenced yesterday near Orleans, of which no result is yet announced. The troops in Paris are divided into three armies two of which are to operate outside of the walls. Garibaldi issues an address to his army urging them to go into the fight earnestly, and from his headquarters it is announced that the army is to make a forward movement from Dole to-day. At the Festival of San Carlo in Rome yesterday the Pope intimated that by the new year he will have resumed all the supremacy he formerly possessed. Large amounts of money are being sent to him as contributions. In the Italian Parliament a report has been presented against making Rome the Capital of Italy before the death of the Pope.

THE ELECTIONS.—A dispatch from New York, dated last night, says:—One hundred and ninety-two districts outside the city show a Democratic gain of 4,904. The four wards of this city, so far reported, show a Democratic loss of 2,164.

A dispatch from Wilmington (Del.) says:—Returns from the State show Republican gains over the vote in 1868, but not sufficient to change the result. Pender, Democrat, for Governor, has 500 majority, and Biggs, for Congress, nearly the same.

We have, by this morning's papers, partial returns from Kentucky, New Jersey, Tennessee, &c., &c.; but they are incomplete. Rhode Island has gone for the Radicals. Whatever additional news is received up to the hour of going to press will be found under the postscript head, among the telegraphic dispatches.

The Richmond Whig says:—"It is the duty of the Government to publish the laws of Congress in papers of general circulation so that the masses of the people may be informed as to their provisions and requirements. But the custom is to publish them only in certain Radical organs. The consequence, in the South, is that very few of the people have the opportunity of becoming acquainted with them.—There is 'the enforcement act,' for instance, passed and approved in May last, which every voter should have had the opportunity of reading carefully, but which has only been published in some Radical papers. They are paid for its publication as an advertisement. If the Conservative papers publish it they have to do so at their own expense, and at a heavy expense."

Capt. Jenkins, the veteran Commodore of the Cunard line of transatlantic steamships, has tendered his resignation, and will retire from sea service after one more voyage to the Scotia, which sails this week. He has become widely known and respected in this country and in England. He has made between 400 and 500 voyages across the Atlantic, voyages to China, and a voyage to the Black Sea with French troops for the Crimean war. Of over 60,000 passengers who have been under his care, not one life was lost. The following vessels have, at various times, been under his command: Britannia, Acadia, Columbia, Iberia, Cambria, America, Canada, Arabia, Persia and Scotia.

A letter from Lexington, Va., to the Richmond Dispatch says that the family of Gen. Lee have selected Col. Charles Marshall, of Baltimore, to write a full biography of the great Chieftain, and will turn over to him ample material, including that collected by Gen. Lee himself, and his notes and letters of his campaigns. Col. Marshall will also prepare the biographical sketch for the forthcoming Lee Memorial, which the Faculty of Washington and Lee University are pushing forward to completion. To his high literary attainments Col. Marshall adds the qualification of having been Gen. Lee's private secretary during the war.

The Radical party has had full control of Congress for several years. The Nation, a very able and extreme Radical organ, condemns the legislation of the Republican party in the following emphatic language: "It is tolerably clear that nobody in the Republican party looks back to its performances in Congress during the last two years with any pride or satisfaction. Two years more of such helplessness and incapacity, in the presence of the questions of the day, would probably, even if nothing better turned up in the interval, make even the Democrats, with all their sins upon their heads, acceptable to a majority of the voters."

The real feeling entertained towards the memory of Gen. Lee, by the bitter Radicals, is exhibited in the following from the Washington Chronicle:

"R. E. Lee is to have a statue in Richmond. The leader of the rebel armies is to be cast in bronze or cut in stone. Future generations are to look upon his likeness, that treason may be nurtured and live. He who merited a traitor's death on the scaffold is to be honored as a great hero."

We do not choose to comment upon this:

In the distribution of the new National bank currency it is understood that the applications from the South have yet amounted to only one-third of the share to which it is entitled. The West has asked for a little more than its proper proportion. None has been sent East, and the indications are that all proper requests for relief in the South and West can be granted.

A dreadful smallpox epidemic has broken out in the Red River Territory in the North. Missionaries, Indians and natives are falling victims to the scourge.

A letter from Baltimore, in the Petersburg Courier, says, that there are now within the corporate limits of Baltimore nearly four thousand drinking houses and beer gardens, where one can obtain spirituous and malt liquors by the single drink.

Mr. Fisher, U. S. commissioner of patents, tendered his resignation yesterday and it was promptly accepted, to take effect on the 10th instant. In the meantime Assistant Commissioner Duncan will be acting commissioner.

Despatches from Mexico bring intelligence of the usual lot of revolutions, murders and volcanic eruptions. The States of Tehuantepec, Michoacan and Guerrero are those at present afflicted.

A young woman in Morris county, New Jersey, lately poisoned her husband who is an old man. He died, and suspicion being excited towards her, she took some of the same kind of poison, and killed herself.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the times."

The elections yesterday generally passed off quietly, though rioting and disorder are reported at some places. At Baton Rouge two blacks are said to have been killed, and several whites and blacks wounded. At Camden N. J., two blacks were shot and four whites badly injured. At Wilmington Delaware, there was more or less rioting, in two wards of the city, between crowds of whites and blacks.

Fears are beginning to be entertained for the safety of the brig Alexander Kirkland, Capt. Wm. G. Martin, which cleared at the Baltimore custom house on the 30th August, and sailed on the following day for St. Johns, Porto Rico, and which has not been heard of since.

A new counterfeit of the latest issue of the fifty-cent currency has made its appearance, which although the engraving is of a coarser character and the fine lath work wanting, through imitated coarsely, is well calculated to deceive.

On Saturday last, \$7,000 in bonds were stolen from the safe of Messrs Boninger in Baltimore, and, it is supposed, that a part of them may reach this city. Bankers are requested to be on the lookout.

The recent robbery of an overland train on the Central Pacific railroad amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars in bonds and United States notes, and more than \$41,000 in gold coin.

Our Texas exchanges bring us frightful accounts of destruction of property and crops, both corn and cotton, by the overflow of rivers from the heavy rains recently in that State.

The Burlington (Iowa) "Hawkeye" says that early on the 21st inst., in that city the saloon and residence of Michael Bacher were burned, and four girls perished in the flames. Judge Cox, of the Common Pleas Court, Cincinnati, yesterday granted a divorce to a woman who had married her own uncle.

The detectives at New York report that a bold bank robbery had occurred at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

There was a fall of snow in Utah territory yesterday.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

On Saturday last, Mr. Isaac Farmer, the watchman at the depot at Glade Spring, Washington county, was murdered while riding along the road a short distance from that place. He had been on a visit, we are informed, to the family in the neighborhood, with one of the female members of which he was on intimate terms.

The Medical Society of Virginia at its meeting held in Richmond during the past week, determined to endeavor to prevail upon the General Assembly to institute a board of examiners for persons proposing to engage in the performance of the responsible duties of a practitioner of medicine.

Gen. R. E. Lee's will was admitted to record in the Rockbridge county court yesterday. It is an autograph will written in 1846. Gen. G. W. C. Lee and Mrs. Lee are named as the executors, and the former qualified yesterday.

Dr. David Briggs Smith, well known to all as the late treasurer of the York River railroad, died recently. He graduated at the University of Virginia with great credit, and was a gentleman of fine attainments.

A party of hunters were engaged in a deer hunt near Deerfield, in Augusta county, week before last. The party were gone from Tuesday till Saturday, and succeeded in killing eight deer.

The Moon ghost has made his appearance again in Albemarle county and is "turning up Jack" generally on his old play-ground.

The Charlottesville Chronicle says that the Camp Armistead deer hunt was a perfect success.

VIRGINIA ELECTION.

The following are the results of the elections from Richmond:

RICHMOND, Nov. 8.—Returns show Lynchburg gives a majority of 143 for Duke, Conservative candidate for Congress; Norfolk about 200 Republican majority for Platte.

Portsmouth, 242 for Platte, and Petersburg 500 for Platte. Rives, Republican, in the Fifth District, carries the counties of Buckingham, Prince Edward and Appomattox by 1,000 majority, but this will be overcome in the other counties in the district, and Duke, Conservative, the opponent of Rives, is probably elected.

In the Eighth District, General Terry, of the famous Stonewall Brigade, Conservative, is elected over Fayette McMullen, Independent candidate, and Hughes, Republican. Nothing definite from the First and Seventh Districts yet.

In the Sixth, Harris and Reynolds, both Conservatives, run each other close. Staunton, in this district, went for Reynolds by a small majority.

STAUNTON, VA., Nov. 8.—Reynolds, Independent Conservative, carries the city by six majority. He also carries the county. The vote between Harris, Conservative nominee, and Reynolds, in the district, is close, and the result will not be ascertained before to-morrow night. The vote is light.

NORFOLK, Nov. 8.—Platte's majority in this city is about 200; in Portsmouth 292.

ALEXANDRIA, Nov. 8.—The election passed off quietly. The vote is 600 or 700 short of that polled in May last. Three wards give Braxton, Conservative, 40 majority, but the city will give McKenzie, Republican, probably 150 majority. Manassas, Prince William county, gives McKenzie 7 majority. Fredericksburg gives Braxton 200 majority.

PETERSBURG, Nov. 8.—Returns received here indicate that Platte has swept his District by a largely increased majority.

RICHMOND, Nov. 8.—The Congressional election to-day resulted as follows:

First District—Dr. Norton, colored.

Second District—James H. Flamer, Jr., Republican.

Third District—Charles H. Porter, Republican.

Fifth District—Col. R. W. Duke, Democrat.

Eighth District—General Terry, Democrat.

FORT MONROE, Nov. 8.—The election in this section passed off quietly. Elizabeth City county, Dr. Norton, colored, Republican, 1,088; Dr. Douglas, Republican 97; Judge Critcher, Conservative, 322.

Letter from Richmond.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette]

RICHMOND, Nov. 8.—Another day wasted; fifteen hundred dollars more of the people's money thrown away for want of an attendance on the part of the members of the Legislature. Virginia is not in a condition to be thus treated. It is contended that a Road law must be enacted by this present Legislature, and yet its members will daily absent themselves and a few are made to stay here and adjourn from day to day without accomplishing any object, while many are off. The general impression here to-day is, that nothing will be done now, and it would have been better had there been an adjournment last Saturday. The Road Jury and Fence Bills, it is thought, will fall, and the endeavor now is to throw the responsibility on the Governor, whose constitutional views will not permit him to sign the bills. There was nothing done in either branch of the General Assembly to-day, and no quorum. In the House there was a debate, participated in by Messrs. Kelley, of Fredericksburg; Popham, of Bath; Woodson, of Craig, and others, on the question of adopting the Senate resolution for a return of the Road bill from the Governor, which lasted for about two hours, when the question being taken there were only fifty-three present—no quorum—and the House adjourned.

The election is passing off very quietly and no disturbance is anticipated.

BAYONET CHARGE IN A BALL-ROOM.—One of the companies of the Independent Blues, a new command which Colonel Clarence Peters is organizing, held a ball at their armory on Monday evening. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, and everything passed off in a quiet and orderly manner until about one o'clock, when, it is alleged, a crowd of desperate characters made their appearance and commenced cheering, and indulged in smoking cigars in the ball room. Col. Peters used every endeavor to quiet them by persuasion, which failed to have any effect upon them. He then attempted to put out the ringleader, who was taken from him by his friends, when the whole party set upon the colonel. He drew his sword and cut down two of them but he became completely surrounded, and with the assistance of several of his officers he kept them at bay until the company was formed. The colonel was compelled to use the company, and drive them out of the armory at the point of the bayonet. The company was formed in two ranks, stretching from wall to wall, driving the rowdies headlong down the stairs, pell mell over each other. During the melee Colonel Peters was struck several times, and Lieutenant Hurlington was struck with a billy and knocked insensible. —*Bal. Sun.*

"MILITARY PROTECTION."—When St. Aldegondo, while puffing his fragrant Cabana at the picnic, asked the ladies if the smoking was disagreeable to them, the reply was: "not at all—we rather like it in the open air." So say we of the United States troops, who kind ly interpose to protect us in the enjoyment of the sacred right of voting. We rather like it. It relieves us of an unpleasant responsibility, and makes us feel flattered by the attention. It serves too, to dispel a foolish delusion, which may be still lurking in some old fogey corner, that something more than the name of Republic yet subsists among us. This same sort of delusion survived the first war for a hundred years—for the Senate of Rome, in their report to the Senate of Constantinople, announced on the subject of opening schools, which was referred to the Committee on Public Schools, spoke unctuously of the safety of the Republic. In the same sense we still have the Republic; and voting in the presence and under the dictation of bayonets, we realize all the blessings of the best Government on earth. While New York and all the other large cities of the North are subjected to the same wholesome discipline, if we had been overlooked, the slight would have been painfully humiliating.

CORRUPTION DIVORCE.—The Peck bargain and corruption divorce suit in New York is now a sensation in that sensation-loving city. The incidents of this case are remarkable, and if true give us the spectacle of the most contemptible characters figuring in a way that would shame the worst schools of fiction which refuse to produce a novel without relieving it by at least one virtuous and honest character. The Peck divorce suit gives us the following incidents:

"A scheming mother-in-law offended at her daughter in law, offers a son \$30,000 to divorce his wife. The son, a paper collar manufacturer, who seems worthy of such a mother, consents. The wife, deservingly bound to such a husband, secretly agrees to the separation on the faith of his promise to marry her again as soon as the mother has been robbed of her \$30,000. A rascally bookkeeper, worthy of such a master, swears to the commission of adultery with the wife, and the divorce is granted. Very naturally such a husband refuses to remarry such a wife and quite naturally the wife goes into court, exposes the conspiracy, and makes humanity blush at its baseness."

WOULD HAVE HIS DEER.—The Galt (Ont.) Reporter says:

"A young man named George Mays of Tupper township, recently went in pursuit of a deer, which took refuge in a pond. Being without firearms, the hunter boldly jumped upon the back of the animal, which started from the pond and took across the fields. Mays clinging to the horns. The deer jumped the fence, and the young man's head, coming in contact with one of the stakes, was badly cut. Falling from his seat, he grasped the deer by the hind legs and was again mounted, and forced his prize to the ground, after receiving a severe cut in one of his legs from the animal's horns. Mays received assistance from some neighbors, brought a axe and put an end to the struggle. The carcass weighed 145 pounds."

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTION.—The Radicals, as usual, have carried Massachusetts by a probably the usual majority. Claflin is re-elected Governor. All the Radical Congressmen are re-elected, Twitchell in Third District by about 200 plurality, and Hooper in the Fourth by over 2,000 plurality. Both branches of the Legislature will be strongly Radical. Wendell Phillips received a smaller vote than his opponents conceded him. John Quincy Adams, Democrat, is elected to the Legislature.

MARYLAND ELECTION.—Messrs. Swann and Archer, the Democratic candidates for the Second and Third Congressional Districts, are elected by heavy majorities. Mr. Ritchie (Democrat) has also been elected from the Fourth District. From the First and Fifth Congressional Districts we have not sufficient returns at the time of writing this, to state certainly the result.

CANAL COMMERCE.

ARRIVALS.

Boats A H Grant, W Hutchens, W J Booth, T H Fells, G W Wadsworth, and A Schell, to American Canal Co; boats Annie and Nannie McGraw, to Maryland Canal Co; boat Bettie, to Boyce & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Boats Bettie, Annie W Hutchens, A H Grant, W J Booth and A Schell, for Cumberland.

CAME TO THE PREMISES OF THE

subscriber, at Cameron Mills, in September last, a small RED COW, which the owner can have by proving property and paying charges. nov 9-1w ROBT. F. ROBERTS.

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CITY COUNCIL. OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held November 8, 1870, there were present: Wm. H. Marbury, esq., President, and Messrs. Markell, Suttle, Harmon, Agnew and Simpson.

The Committee on Claims reported in favor of paying F. L. Smith and F. L. Smith, Jr., \$75 each for services; also in favor of paying the bill of H. L. Simpson, \$30, against the Alms House; also a bill of J. Entwistle, Jr., \$36.23, for medicine furnished the poor—all of which were adopted and the bills ordered to be paid.

A petition of Mrs. W. Summers for reduction of assessment was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Committee on Light reported unfavorably on the petition of Cookley and others for a gas lamp on the corner of Payne and Commerce streets, which was adopted.

Bills of B. Wicardley, \$3 and \$5; D. M. French, \$20; S. W. Bowler, \$3, and Samuel Beach, \$5, for services rendered at Coroners' inquests, were referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Committee on Claims reported in favor of paying G. W. Clifford \$50, expenses of quo warranto proceedings, which was adopted.

A communication from R. L. Carne, Superintendent of Public Schools, was received from the Common Council and their action concurred in.

A petition of D. Henry for reduction of assessment, and a bill of J. H. & G. L. Watkins, \$63.91, for meat furnished the Alms House were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in.

A communication from J. E. McGraw was received from the Common Council and their action concurred in.

A petition of F. Ludwig was received from the Common Council and their action concurred in.

On motion, it was resolved, that a special committee of two from each Board be appointed to examine the Market square property and report such improvements and rearrangements as they may deem necessary to establish in said square, a suitable court room or room, with the necessary offices, and a public hall or halls, with the probable cost of the improvements they may recommend; and also the probable sum which could be realized from the sale of the present court house and lot, and also the value of the lot at the foot of Commerce street, owned by the Corporation, and the present condition of the same.

The Board then adjourned.

Teste: JNO. J. JAMIESON, CLK.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council, held November 8, 1870, there were present: John B. Smoot, esq., President, and Messrs. Shinn, Wheat, Moore, Neale, Lawson, Porter, Massey, Evans and Dyson.

Mr. Massey, from the special committee to whom had been referred the application for a right of way through the city for the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railroad, reported progress.

Mr. Lawson, from the special committee to whom had been referred the proposition of J. E. McGraw for the erection of a public hall on Cameron street, over the Market, presented, as a report, another communication from Mr. McGraw containing specifications, which was referred to the Committee on Public Property.

A communication of J. H. Brent and others praying Council to prohibit the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railroad Company from laying a track on Henry street, was referred to the special committee to whom the application for the right of way for that road through the city had been referred.

Mr. Wheat presented a communication from R. L. Carne, Superintendent of Public Schools, asking that a committee might be appointed to confer with the Boards of Public Schools, on the subject of opening schools, which was referred to the Committee on Public Schools.

A petition of Mary M. Summers for the reduction of assessment on her property, on King street, west of West street, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

A petition of Daniel Henry to rectify the tax on property, situated on Fairfax and Princess streets, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

A petition of Frederick Lawler for the closing and enlargement of the drain that runs through Yester's Garden, was referred to the Committee on Streets.

The Auditor was ordered to issue his warrant in favor of J. H. & G. L. Watkins for \$64.91, for meat furnished the Alms House.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in adopting the report of the Committee on Claims recommending the payment to F. L. Smith and F. L. Smith, Jr., of \$75 each as counsel fee in the habeas corpus suit of Webster and Smith, was concurred in.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in ordering the payment of \$910 to H. L. Simpson, for work done for Alms House, and the payment of \$36.23 to James Entwistle, Jr., for medicine furnished the poor, was concurred in.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in adopting the report of the Committee on Light adverse to the petition of E. A. Cookley and others for a gas lamp on the southwest corner of Cameron and Payne sts., was concurred in.

Teste: HAROLD SNOWDEN, CLK.

COMMERCIAL.

Alexandria Market, November 9, '70.

WHEAT, Superfine	\$5.25	60	5.25
Family	4.25	60	4.25
Family choice	3.25	60	3.25
WHEAT, White choice	1.38	60	1.45
Good to prime	1.25	60	1.35
Red, choice	1.15	60	1.25
Good to prime	1.05	60	1.15
Common to fair	1.00	60	1.10
CORN, White	0.70	60	0.75
Mixed	0.70	60	0.75
Yellow	0.65	60	0.72
RYE, White	0.40	60	0.42
OATS	0.30	60	0.32
BUTTER, prime	0.35	60	0.37
Common to middling	0.18	60	0.22
EGGS	0.20	60	0.22
CHICKENS, per dozen	2.00	60	2.25
PERUVIAN GUANO	0.60	60	0.60
LARD	0.18	60	0.19
ONIONS, weight	1.25	60	1.30
TIMOTHY SEED	4.50	60	5.00
BACON, Ham, sugar-cured	0.25	60	0.26
Sides	0.25	60	0.26
GREEN APPLES, per box	1.75	60	2.00
PLASTER, Ground, per ton	6.50	60	6.50
Ground in bins	8.25	60	8.50
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SALT, Grd. Alum (Liverpool)	1.65	60	1.65
Liverpool No. 1	2.55	60	2.60
Turk's Island No. 1	4.50	60	4.50
Wool, Common Unwashed	0.20	60	0.25
Merino, unwashed	0.40	60	0.45
Washed	0.20	60	0.30
Merino, washed	0.40	60	0.45
SEANS, White	1.00	60	1.50
ST. MAC'S 100 lbs	1.00	60	1.75
HAY, per ton from the center	15.00	60	18.00
PERUVIAN GUANO	75.00	60	75.00
SEAFORD GUANO	45.00	60	0.00

REMARKS.—The market for Flour is very dull; stocks are large, though prices remain unchanged. Wheat is more active, and the market may be quoted 2c better; offerings of 122 bushels of white and 904 of red, with sales of the latter at 115, 122 and 125-135 was raised for a prime lot of red. Corn is steady; offerings of 162 bushels mixed, but no sales reported. Rye is in light receipt, with no transactions. Oats are unchanged; offerings of 2315 bushels, with sales at 40, 41 and 42. Bacon is firm. Butter and Eggs are unchanged.

MARINE LIST.

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PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, NOVEMBER 9.

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